

E-HAPPENINGS

WESTERN NEVADA COLLEGE

January 2010

NEWS AND EVENTS

Child Care Center Earns Accreditation

WNC's Child Development Center located at the Carson City campus has earned accreditation from the National Association for the Education of Young Children. The designation is a prestigious indicator of quality at the center, which offers full-time and part-time care for children of students, faculty, staff and the community. The center earned perfect scores in the areas relating to teaching, community relationships, leadership & management, families, assessment, and relationships, as well as a near perfect score in the area of curriculum. <http://www.wnc.edu/cdc/>

Wildcats Athletics Fund-raiser

Tickets to See Red Sox Star Going Fast

Tickets are selling fast for Saturday's fundraiser featuring 2008 AL MVP second baseman Dustin Pedroia. More than 700 supporters of Wildcats baseball and softball have already secured their seats for the January 16 dinner fundraiser, but some tickets are still available until 5 p.m. Thursday for \$75, or a table of 10 for \$750. Call the WNC Foundation: 775-445-3240. <http://www.wnc.edu/news/2010-01-12a.php>



Getting Personal With Student E-mails

Beginning with the spring 2010 semester, WNC students will use their own selected e-mail addresses to communicate with the college. They will be asked to identify a personal contact e-mail address at the time of registration for spring classes. Current students will need to update their e-mail contact information on the college's Web-REG online registration system. E-mail accounts are available at no charge through a number of web sites including Yahoo!, Google, Hotmail, or any internet provider. Questions: 445-3273.

IN THE ARTS

Gallery Show Celebrates Artistry of Western Ranching Culture



A new art exhibit set to open at WNC Carson City offers a glimpse into ranching culture of the rural West through the lens of cowboy poetry and related art forms. "The Lingo of Our Calling: The Legacy of Cowboy Poetry" will show in the Bristlecone Building College Gallery January 25-March 11. A public reception for the artists is Wednesday, Jan. 27, 4:30-5:30 p.m. The multimedia show features cowboy poetry, music and gear, paintings, photography, posters, and quilting. At left: "Pecos Bill" <http://www.wnc.edu/news/2010-01-12b.php>

"6 Sides 2 Every Story"- Exhibit Reaches All Sides of the World

A collaborative art project that reaches out to artists around the world will show at WNC January 25-February 25. "6 Sides 2 Every Story," a printmaking exhibit organized by Reno artist Candace Nicol, will show in the Atrium Gallery to open the spring semester. A public reception is Wednesday, Jan. 27, 4:30-5:30 p.m. in the Bristlecone Building galleries. More than 500 participants were asked to illustrate their own perspectives by carving one side of a wooden cube. Each cube represents a current story found in a national/international article, internet posting, or magazine. <http://www.wnc.edu/news/2010-01-13a.php>



“Out of Print” Features Utah Artists

A new Carson City campus art exhibit will feature 25 of Utah's finest artists, using the art of printmaking to create diverse works. “Out of Print” will show in the Main Gallery, January 25-February 25. A public reception for the artists is Wednesday, Jan. 27, 4:30-5:30 p.m. The scope of subjects in the show is expansive. The Western landscape, elements of the natural world, animal favorites, commonplace objects, the human figure, and the role of symbolism are investigated. At right: “Stand of Trees.” <http://www.wnc.edu/news/2010-01-13b.php>



Auditions Today for “The Sound of Music”

The Western Nevada Musical Theatre Company holds auditions for the Rodgers and Hammerstein masterwork, *The Sound of Music*, at 6 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 13, in Sarah Winnemucca Hall at the Carson City campus. The beloved musical will play two weekends at the Carson City Community Center, May 7-16. Information: 445-4249. <http://www.wnc.edu/news/2010-01-04a.php>

“Opening Night on Broadway” - A Great Valentine’s Day Date

The Western Nevada Musical Theatre Company presents a high-stepping glimpse of some of Broadway's best productions, from *Jersey Boys* to *Mamma Mia*, in a sparkling revue. Three performances, featuring a live orchestra and a cast of more than 40 performers, take the stage at the Carson City Community Center, Friday and Saturday Feb. 12-13, at 7:30 p.m. and Sunday, Feb. 14, at 2 p.m. Tickets: \$20 for general admission, \$18 for students and seniors, and \$16 for youth 17 and under. Call 445-4249.

Faces, Voices and Stories Spring 2010

The spring 2010 “Faces, Voices and Stories” cultural series features topics and speakers covering a wide variety of subjects, through lectures, group discussion, concerts, poetry, and multimedia presentations. Hold the date for upcoming events:

February 16: Dynamic Duo, Carson City Campus – Poetry's favorite crime fighting duo

February 17: Dynamic Duo, Fallon Campus – Poetry's favorite crime fighting duo

March 12: Author Sheri Snively, Heaven in the Midst of Hell, Carson City Campus

April 23: Wild and Scenic Environmental Film Festival, Carson City Campus

May 15: WNC Multicultural Festival, Carson City Campus

Multicultural Festival Invites Vendors and Exhibitors

WNC is looking for exhibitors for the annual Multicultural Festival at the Carson City campus on Saturday, May 15, 11 a.m.-4 p.m. The festival celebrates our community's diverse cultures through entertainment, food vendors, educational exhibits and children's activities. Exhibitors should include an educational component in their display, such as a participatory activity or demonstration. There is no fee to participate. Applications are due by March 30. Information: Ronnie Gibbs-445-3276 or Rosalba Cadena-De Armas-445-3335. Food vendors: Christina Hillis-445-3319.



Laura Fuentes performs at the 2008 festival.

ATHLETICS

Baseball Team Ranks 10th in Poll

WNC has been tabbed the 10th best junior college baseball team in the country in a pre-season ranking by Collegiate Baseball, the most widely respected publication for two-year and four-year baseball programs. "This makes the fifth time in five years, the entire history of our program, where the Wildcats have been nationally ranked in the country's top 20 teams at some point in the season," Coach DJ Whittemore said. His team is preparing for a season that starts with 16 road games before making its home debut on Friday and Saturday, March 5 and 6, at WNC Carson City. <http://www.wnc.edu/news/2009-12-23b.php>



Head Coach Earns National Honor

WNC Baseball Coach DJ Whittemore has been named a 2009 Diamond Sports Regional Coach of the Year. The NJCAA Division I honor comes from the American Baseball Coaches Association. "I am grateful to accept this award on behalf of my entire coaching staff, whom I believe to be some of the hardest-working coaches in the country," said Whittemore. At right, he greets an official prior to a game at the 2009 JUCO World Series in Grand Junction, Colo. <http://www.wnc.edu/news/2009-11-19a.php>



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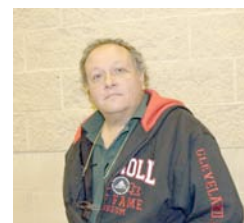


AARP Volunteers Prepare for Tax Season

The American Association for Retired Persons welcomes new local volunteers to the organization's Tax-Aide program. The volunteers participated in a five-day training on the Carson City campus this month. As Tax-Aide volunteers, the new recruits provide free tax preparation services to anyone 18 years or older beginning in February. Information: 888-227-7669 or <http://foundation.aarp.org/GetTaxHelp/>

Howard Collett Receives Employee Appreciation Award

Audio Visual Technician Howard Collett received the November Classified Employee Appreciation Award after earning a number of nominations. Fellow colleagues praised Howard's talent and dedication in his support of the international film series that the college hosted last fall. Among the comments: "Without his help the Office of Student Life would not be able to implement these wonderful programs." "Howard is always helpful and talented, but this fall he was indispensable." and "Not only did he help with the media, he helped in other areas too, stayed late to tear things down, and did it all with a smile." Thanks, Howard.



WNC Fallon Instructor Making National Presentations



Social Psychology Instructor Janet King is presenting information on developing online classes to two national organizations this month. She is presenting a four-hour workshop on developing online classes for the Society for Personality and Social Psychology at their conference in Las Vegas. She will also participate in an idea exchange program for online classes for the National Institute on the Teaching of Psychology at St. Pete Beach in Florida. Janet is also an accomplished photographer, and was chosen to be the official photographer at an Educause09 conference in Denver. Her photos were used for podcasts and streaming media.

Jobs Forum to Convene at WNC Carson City

A community forum on how to stimulate growth in our economy will convene Thursday, Jan. 21, 1-3 p.m. in Marlette Hall/Cedar Building. The "Forum on Jobs and Economic Growth" is one of many around the nation being offered by the U.S. Department of Agriculture Rural Development office at the request of Secretary of Agriculture Tom Vilsack and President Barack Obama. Local business leaders will attend and offer ideas on how to accelerate job growth in our faltering economy. Sarah Adler, Nevada state director for USDA Rural Development, said that any college faculty or staff involved in workforce development or jobs creation initiatives are welcome to attend.

"Three Cups of Tea" Book Group Being Formed

Carson City is celebrating a community read project this spring and will welcome noted author and humanitarian Greg Mortenson to town on Tuesday, March 9, to lecture about the book being read, *"Three Cups of Tea: One Man's Mission to Promote Peace One School at a Time."* WNC is participating in a variety of ways, with some faculty members adding the book to their class reading lists, and two copies have been added to our college library collection. <http://www.threecupsoftea.com/>

In addition, Information and Marketing Services Director Anne Hansen is convening a small book group to read “Three Cups of Tea” and discuss it. “We’ll read the the book and then discuss it at a lunch meeting in Lifted Café on Wednesday, March 3, 12:30-2 p.m.,” Hansen said. “I have a limited number of copies of the book provided by the Carson City Library for the first nine people who contact me to be in the book group. I also have nine tickets to the sold out lecture by Greg Mortenson, for those who participate in the book group.” Contact Anne Hansen: 445-3235/ anne@wnc.edu

As part of the “Capital City Reads” project, the Carson City Library will also host a variety of lectures on ten Tuesday evenings, beginning February 9 with Rick Gunn’s “Soul Cyclor” visual presentation at Galaxy Theatres in Carson City, 6:30 p.m. <http://www.carsoncitylibrary.org/events.htm>

HOLD THE DATE

Tuesday, Feb. 16: Dynamic Duo – Carson City campus – Poetry and comedy

Tuesday, Feb. 17: Dynamic Duo – Fallon campus – Poetry and comedy

March 12-13: Nevada Small Farm Conference, WNC Fallon & Fallon Convention Center

March 16: Science Fair Award Night, Carson City Campus

March 19: Women in Non-Traditional Careers, Carson City Campus

April 16: College Day, Carson City Campus

April 30: College Day, Fallon Campus

May 3-5: Northwest Accreditation Team Site Visit – all campuses